

EDHS News

by Reggie Kenwell

Last week the students of Elmvale District High School were very busy gearing up for the Christmas season.

Picture-retake sessions were held for students who missed having their pictures taken on the first day of school, and group and club pictures were taken for the yearbook.

On Dec. 8, the boys' basketball teams travelled to Stayner for two games. Elmvale lost both games to teams who were both strong and well organized. The Varsity team lost by a score of 51-47, while the Intermediate team lost by a score of 51-37. The Elmvale Varsity team was shorthanded, lacking two of eight key players. Having no spares, Elmvale had to be careful not to get fouled out early. Coach Healey said, "With a full team, Elmvale could have given their competition a much closer run."

From now until the Christmas holidays, teachers and students are bringing in donations of canned goods and other food

items for less fortunate people in the local area. House points are being awarded to students who bring in these articles.

Dec. 14 was Spirit Day for Christmas. The students dressed up in Christmas colours and received prizes for their costumes.

The Christmas dance will be held Friday at the school, and a local band called "Maharg" will play. All students are welcome.

During the past week, students were busy decorating their home room doors for Christmas. Some students began preparing Christmas skits that will be presented in the gym on Dec. 22. Also on Dec. 22, the students will be busy with locker clean-outs, carol singing, ping-pong contests, popcorn-stringing contests and many other activities.

It's obvious that, for the next few weeks, the students will be very busy getting ready for Christmas. Oh yes! The Christmas holidays begin on Dec. 23, and Jan. 3 is the beginning of the new school year.

Oldtimers a hit in Niagara tourney

Midland Oldtimers hockey team travelled to Niagara Falls on the weekend of Dec. 3-5 to participate in the annual tournament held there.

They participated so well in fact that they nearly came away with the championship.

They won four of five starts, losing only in the finals to Niagara-on-the-Lake by a narrow 3-2 margin.

First matchup was against Hamilton Old Steamers on Friday night, and Midland won 6-2. Goal scorers for the winners were Billy Knibbs with two, and Edgar Dorion with two, and singles by Brian McKell and Ross Heacock.

Saturday morning saw Midland face and defeat St. Catharines Old Dogs by the same 6-2 score. None other than Harvey Benoit

scored four times, with solos by Dorion and Brian Marshall.

Saturday's other opponent was St. Catharines Rusty's who fell by 7-3. Knibbs had three, Dennis Lemieux two, and Heacock and Marshall one each.

Sunday's semi-final saw Midland trounce Toronto Flashbacks by 7-3. Leading the way were Dorion with a hat trick, Knibbs with a pair, and Marshall and Benoit with one each.

In the heart breaking finale, Billy Knibbs' two goals weren't enough to overcome Niagara-on-the-Lake.

All in all it was the team's best tournament showing in quite some time, with the number of goals scored being a pleasant surprise to coach Bill Boyd.

Dickens would be very surprised by it

Freely adapted from the Charles Dickens classic, "AN AMERICAN CHRISTMAS CAROL" features a modern-day Scrooge who learns from the ghosts of Christmas past, present and future that joy and goodwill are the passwords for a happy life on earth.

The Global Television Network will telecast "AN AMERICAN CHRISTMAS CAROL" Saturday, December 18, 10:00-12:00 midnight.

The story opens on Christmas Eve, 1933, in the depression-ravaged industrial town of Concorde, New Hampshire. Benedict Slade (Henry Winkler) is the president of a finance company. Although the Christmas spirit might call for a brief respite for his debtors, Slade continues to collect loan payments and deliver repossession orders.

When Slade's overworked employee Thatcher (R.H. Thomson) defends the plight of these debtors, this archetypal Scrooge summarily dismisses him.

Later that evening, Slade hears the sounds of ghostly chains and receives an unlikely visitor—his deceased partner, Jack Latham (Kenneth Pogue), the miserly tycoon who taught Slade all he knew. Latham warns Slade that unless he mends his avaricious ways, he'll face the same hellish fate Latham himself must endure.

Soon the three ghosts of Christmas, all of whom are represented by Slade's debtors, takes him on a lengthy journey through time and space that show the miserable results of his greed.

After the final horrifying sight of his own tombstone, Slade awakes a new man on Christmas Day. He bestows gifts on the Thatcher clan and gives Mr. Thatcher his job

back. Then he returns the items he has repossessed the day before.

As the final frames

roll by, it is obvious that Bernard Slade has discovered that kindness is next to godliness.

★ Sports Scoreboard

Night Haven Men's Bowling League Standings as of Dec. 1

Penetanguishene Sand and Gravel	55
Juneau's Electric	54
Talbot Communications	46
Dial-a-Movie	42
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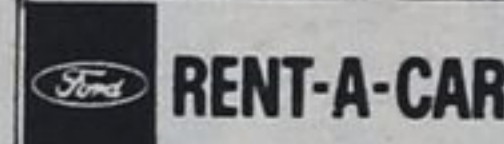
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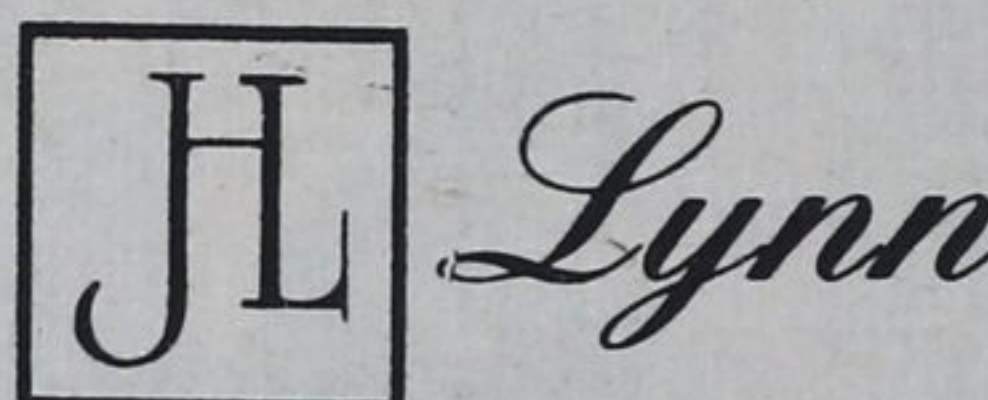
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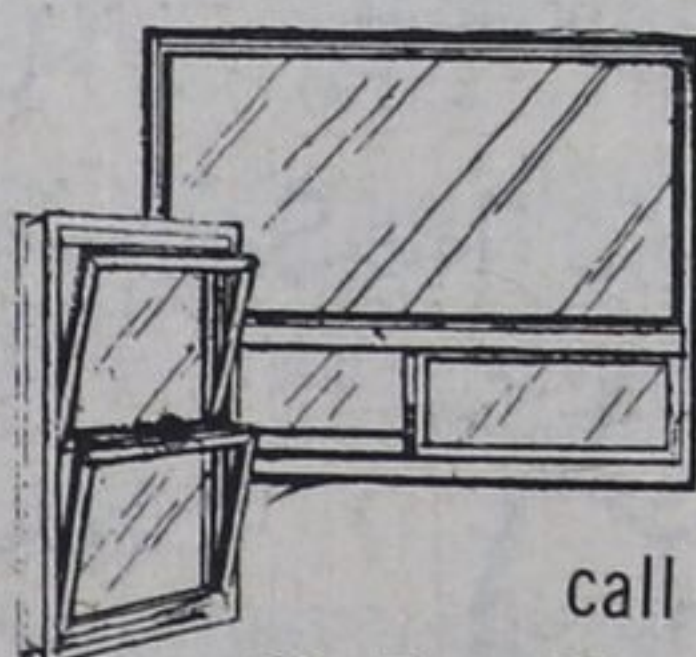
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